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SUBJ: MUNICH CONSULAR SECTION STAFFING

- 1. MUNICH WISHES TO EXPRESS ITS CONCERN OVER POSSIBLE GAP WHICH MAY OCCUR WITH DEPARTURE OF CONSULAR OFFICER ROBERT TYNES (POSITION NO. 31-3025-011). TYNES IS DEPARTING EARLY NOVEMBER TO ENABLE HIM TO TAKE MINIMUM HOME LEAVE PRIOR TO HUNGARIAN LANGUAGE TRAINING.
- 2. IN PHONE CONVERSATIONS WITH PER, POST LEARNED THAT TYNES' REPLACEMENT WILL BE PICKED FROM NEW JUNIOR OFFICER CLASS, ARRIVING AUGUST 26. POST MOST CONCERNED THAT IF NO JUNIOR OFFICER WITH GERMAN LANGUAGE COMPETENCE (TWO LEVEL) IS AVAILABLE, POST WOULD FACE A FOUR TO SIX MONTH GAP WHILE OFFICER UNDERGOES LANGUAGE TRAINING (IN ADDITION TO ORIENTATION, CONSULAR AND

AREA COURSES).

3. IN VIEW OF PRESENT REQUIREMENT FOR MONTHLY PRISON VISITATION (TYNES IS FULL TIME PRISON OFFICER), RECENT CABLES STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE DEPT. PLACES ON SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES (STATE 187731, 189686) AND RISING WORKLOAD IN ALL CONSULAR FUNCTIONS WITH NO STAFF INCREASE, MUNICH BELIEVES THAT PRESENT LEVEL OF SERVICES COULD NOT BE MAINTAINED IF SUCH A GAP OCCURRED.

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4. WHILE POST WOULD GENERALLY PREFER A FIRST TOUR OFFICER WITH GERMAN COMPETENCE AT AT LEAST TWO LEVEL, IF ONE IS NOT AVAILABLE, MUNICH REQUESTS DEPARTMENT SELECT SECOND OR THIRD TOUR OFFICER (IN THAT ORDER OF PREFERENCE) WITH SIMILAR COMPETENCE.

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